

## **Safe Explosives Act FAQs**

### **Recordkeeping Questions and Answers**

**1. How does the Safe Explosives Act affect the recordkeeping requirements for explosives?**

The new prohibited persons categories go into effect on January 24, 2003; whereas, the new licensing/permitting provisions go into effect on May 24, 2003.

The revised ATF F 5400.4, Explosives Transaction Record, and ATF F 5400.8, Explosives Delivery Record, include the new prohibited persons categories and must be used beginning January 24, 2003. These forms are currently available on the ATF Internet site and may be downloaded and photocopied until forms are distributed by the ATF Distribution Center. Current Federal licensees and permittees should be receiving the forms the week of December 19, 2002. The previous versions of the ATF F 5400.4 and ATF F 5400.8 will be obsolete on January 24, 2003, and may not be used after that date.

New recordkeeping requirements will be imposed, additional forms will be created and revised, and new regulations will be written to reflect the provisions of the new law. When this information becomes available, ATF will make every effort to disseminate it to the industry as quickly as possible. This website will be continuously updated, so please check it often.

**2. Will ATF send the new versions of the ATF F 5400.4, Explosives Transaction Record, and ATF F 5400.8, Explosives Delivery Record, to current licensees and permittees?**

Yes. As described above, ATF F 5400.4, Explosives Transaction Record, and ATF F 5400.8, Explosives Delivery Record, has been distributed to licensees and permittees.

**3. Can I download the ATF F 5400.4 and ATF F 5400.8 from the Internet and use copies of the forms?**

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